

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of Dakota) Application No. 911-023.16
County/South Sioux City Public)
Safety Answering Point, South) ORDER APPROVING FUNDING
Sioux City, seeking funding) REQUEST
approval for recurring and non-)
recurring costs of Enhanced)
Wireless 911 implementation.) Entered: August 8, 2006

BY THE COMMISSION:

By written request for funding dated June 22, 2006, Dakota County/South Sioux City Public Safety Answering Point, South Sioux City, sought funding from the Enhanced Wireless 911 Fund for expenses for implementing and providing enhanced wireless 911 service. The request for funding was originally filed in Application No. PSAP-016.2 and was incorporated herein by the ordered entered on August 8, 2006 in Docket No. 911-023.

In its application, Dakota County/South Sioux City sought non-recurring costs in the amount of \$100,762.00 for the purchase and installation of equipment necessary to implement enhanced wireless 911 service.

Dakota County/South Sioux City has provided supporting documentation for the equipment and associated expenses. The Enhanced Wireless 911 Advisory Board considered Dakota County/South Sioux City's request at its June 26, 2006 meeting and recommended that the Commission approve payment of \$60,457 from the Fund based upon their previous recommendation that the sixty percent (60%) of the costs of equipment used for both wireless and landline enhanced 911 receive funding from the Enhanced Wireless 911 Fund based on the assumption that on average sixty percent (60%) of a Nebraska PSAP's call volume is attributable to enhanced wireless 911.

Dakota County/South Sioux City provided a call volume report with its application for funding indicating that approximately twenty percent (20%) of its 911 calls are attributable to wireless. However, Patrick Foust on behalf of South Sioux City, submitted additional information which indicated that approximately eighteen percent (18%) of the calls received are actually attributable to wireless but were not accurately reflected on the report provided with the application.

O P I N I O N A N D F I N D I N G S

This request for additional funding is being processed pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 86-442 to 86-470. (2006), 291 Neb. Admin. Code, Chapter 1, Section 5, and Progression Order No. 5 in Commission Docket No. 911-001, entered July 16, 2002.

Costs requested are eligible under Neb. Rev. Stat. § 86-465 as all costs have been incurred or will be incurred for the purchase, installation, maintenance or operation of telecommunications equipment and telecommunications services required for the provision of enhanced wireless 911 service.

Based upon the request for funding, supporting documentation, and in consideration of the recommendation of the Advisory Board, the Commission is of the opinion and finds that the request for funding should be granted in the amount of \$18,137.16. Said amount represents the amount based on enhanced wireless 911 call volume attributable to providing Phase I enhanced wireless 911 service according to the best information available at this time. Questions have been raised regarding the accuracy of the call volume information available. Therefore, should the wireless call volume prove to be different than that reflected in the information available at this time, the Commission may adjust funding.

The Fund shall therefore pay to Dakota County/South Sioux City the amount of \$18,137.16.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that the Enhanced Wireless 911 Fund shall pay to Dakota County/South Sioux City the amount of \$18,137.16 consistent with the terms of this order for the equipment necessary to provide Phase I enhanced wireless 911 service.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska this 8th day of
August, 2006

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chairman

ATTEST:

Executive Director